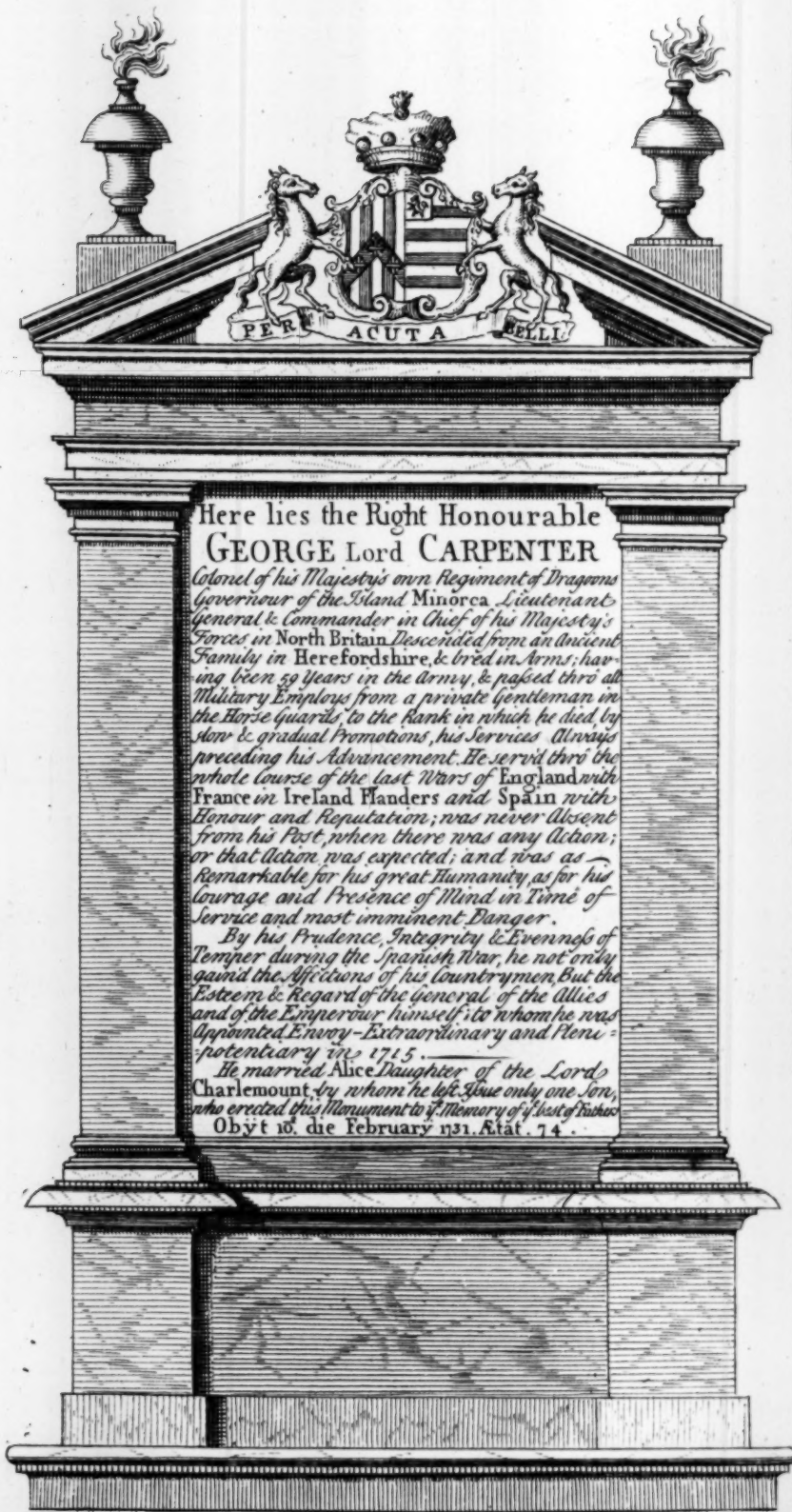


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L I F E
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SOLDIERS have an undoubted Right to claim,
The greatest Honours, and most lasting NAME.



From a life
LONDON. Printed for E. CURLL, 1736.

THE
LIFE
OF
W. Musgrave.
RIGHT HONOURABLE
GEORGE
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IF any part of the Race
of Mankind are worthy
of a more peculiar Re-
membrance, in being transmitted
as Examples to Posterity, It is un-
doubtedly the *Gentlemen Soldiers*,
which, altho' made use of as a vulgar
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Appellation, ought to be held in
the highest Esteem. “ For, *says*
“ *one who was truly such*, how-
“ ever they are disesteem’d by some
“ unthinking, not to say ungrate-
“ ful Men, to profess Arms, is to
“ profess being ready to Die for
“ Others; nor is it an Ordinary
“ Struggle between Reason, Sense,
“ and Passion, that can raise
“ Men to a calm and ready Neg-
“ ligence of Life; and animate
“ them to Assault without Fear,
“ Pursue without Cruelty, and Stab
“ without Hatred.” *

THESE being the Character-
istics of a Christian Hero, we shall
presume justly to dignify with that
Title,

* See STEELE's *Christian Hero*. Written 1701.
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Title, The Right Honourable
GEORGE Lord CARPENTER,
whose Life was one continued Scene
of Warfare; and Honour, *the due
Reward of his Arms.**

OF this truly deserving Noble-
man, therefore, and of the worthy
Family from whence he was
Descended, we shall give a faithful
and particular Account.

* The Motto of his Lordship's Arms, is,
PER ACUTA BELLI.



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GEORGE CARPENTER,
Descended from an An-
cient and; therefore, Ho-
nourable Family, was born at *Ocul*
in *Herefordshire*, on the Tenth
Day of *February*, 1657.

HE was the Son of Mr. *Warn-
comb Carpenter*, Sixth Son of *Tho-
mas Carpenter*, Esq; of The HOLM*,
in the Parish of *Dilwyn* in the Coun-
ty aforesaid, where this Family have
been possessed of a considerable Estate
upwards of Four hundred Years.
He married *Eleanor*, Daughter of
William Taylor of the same Coun-
ty,

* HOLM. Sax. (A Place surrounded with Trees)
alias a woody Situation. *vulg. dict.* The *Homme*, Gal.

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ty, Widow of *John Hill*, Esq; (by whom He had Issue one Son.) She had a considerable Jointure, which besides Fifteen Hundred Pounds given him by his Father, was look'd upon in those Days as a very considerable Fortune for a younger Son. But being possessed with a military Soul, and Loyally attached to the Royal Cause, He had a Post of Honour given him, and was, at the Battle of *Naseby*, the 14th of *June*, 1645, wounded by a Musket Ball, which went thro' both his Legs. This Wound, some Years after, breaking out afresh, was the Occasion of his Death. The Expence of this Calamity greatly reducing his Fortune, he left but a very small Support for his Wife and Seven Children.

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OF these Seven Children, *George Carpenter* was the Youngest.

HE had his Education at a private Grammar School in the Country, where we must leave him for the present, and return to his Brother-in-Law, *viz.*

WILLIAM HILL, Esq; who being a Domestick and Favourite-Servant of his Royal Highness *James Duke of York*, did, when he was Lord High-Admiral of *England*, give him the Command of the Ship *Coventry*; and Mr. *Hill*, by Orders bearing Date the Tenth of *April 1665*, was directed
“to sail out of *Yarmouth-Roads*
“into the Soundings, to avoid the
“Contagion of the Plague then
“raging.”

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“raging.” * He was, not long after, appointed Governor and Captain-General of the *Leeward Islands*, which having been taken by the *French*, he bravely regain’d, and continued Governor of them to the Time of his Death.

WE must now return to *George Carpenter*, who having past thro’ his Classsical Studies, came to *London*, where, by his Accomplishments, Behaviour, and Recommendation of his Friends, the first Step he took into the World, was in the most honourable Point of View a young Gentleman could be placed; being appointed one of the Pages to attend the Earl of *Montague* in his

* See the Duke of *York’s* Naval Memoirs, 8vo. Pag. 125, 126.

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his Embassy to the Court of *France*,
at Fourteen Years old.

IN the Year 1672, He rode as a
private Gentleman in the Third
Troop of Guards (for none but
Gentlemen were admitted) and
these Posts were then look'd upon
as very Honourable.

HE was, shortly afterwards,
Appointed Quarter-Master to
the Regiment of Horse, Com-
manded by the Earl of *Peterbo-*
row; and past thro' the Com-
missions of Cornet, Lieutenant, and
Captain, till he was advanc'd to
be Lieutenant-Colonel of the Re-
giment, being almost in continual
Service, wherein he remain'd Thir-
teen Years, to 1685.

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IN the Year 1693, He married ALICE, Daughter of the Right Honourable WILLIAM Baron CAWFIELD, afterwards created Viscount *Charlemont*, (and always known by the Memorable Epithet of the *Good Lord Charlemont*) then Widow of *James Margetson*, Esq; who left her a considerable Jointure; by the Sale of part of which, for her Life, Colonel CARPENTER was enabled to purchase the *Royal-Regiment of Dragoons*, which he Commanded to the Time of his Death.

BUT here Nature requires us to bemoan the unhappy Catastrophe of the abovenam'd Nobleman's Elder Brother, who fell one of the first Victims in the Execrable *Irish-Massacre*, 1641. We shall give the

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Relation

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Relation in the Words of *Edmund Ludlow*, Esq; Lieutenant-General of the Horse, and Commander in Chief of the Forces in *Ireland*, viz.

“ Sir *Phelim O Neil*, Head of a
“ Sect (or Clan) and one who had
“ as great a Share as any, in the
“ Contriving and Carrying on the
“ Massacre and Rebellion, fell into
“ the Hands of the Lord *Cawfield*,
“ whose Brother he had caused to
“ be murder'd at the Beginning of
“ the Rebellion, in this Manner.

“ *O Neil* being a Neighbour of
“ the Lord *Cawfield*, came to him
“ under the Pretence of Friendship,
“ with about half a dozen Friends,
“ to his Castle of *Charlemont*, where
“ being receiv'd, he and those that
“ were

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“ were with him, were carried to
“ drink in the Cellar,* by the Lord
“ *Cawfield* (both of them being
“ too much addicted to that which
“ the World calls good Fellowship.)
“ After some Time, Sir *Phelim*
“ *O Neil* fires a Pistol, which was
“ a Signal agreed on ; and imme-
“ diately Thirty *Irish* entered and
“ surprized the Castle, taking the
“ Lord, his Mother, Lady, and
“ Children, with the rest of the Fa-
“ mily, Prisoners ; and after three
“ or four Days, murder’d the
“ Lord *Cawfield*,† the rest hardly
“ escaping with their Lives. But

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“ now

* This is an Error in the Historian. For, *O Neil* and his Friends Dined with Lord *Cawfield*; and *Charlemont*-Castle was not surprized till they had drank their Bottle after Dinner.

† His Children, and the whole Family, by which means the Title devolved to his Brother, who was then absent.

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“ now the Commissioners of Par-
“ liament having by their prescri-
“ bed Lines, within which all were
“ oblig’d to inhabit, withdrawn
“ Provisions from the Enemy, who
“ could not be supply’d without
“ Hazard of their Lives, thought fit,
“ as a farther Means to reduce
“ them, to set a Sum of Money
“ upon the Heads of the Principal
“ of those who yet persisted in their
“ Rebellion, upon some Twenty,
“ others Forty, and upon Sir *Phe-*
“ *lim O Neil*, a Hundred Pounds
“ to bring him Dead or Alive.
“ This was such an Encourage-
“ ment to look after him, That
“ one of the Country People having
“ taken Notice that he was in an
“ Island in the North, gave Intel-
“ ligence thereof to the Lord *Carw-*
“ *field*,

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“ *field*, who having brought toge-
“ ther a Party of Horse and Foot,
“ entered the Island in Boats, and
“ seized him there. From thence
“ he carried him to *Dublin*, where
“ divers of his Cruelties to the
“ *English* being prov’d against
“ him, he was sentenc’d by the
“ Court of Justice to be put to
“ Death, and his Head to be set
“ upon the Gate that stands upon
“ the Foot of the Bridge, which
“ was put in Execution accord-
“ ingly.

SUCH is the Account given of
this atrocious and black Deed, by
General *Ludlow*, in his Memoirs,
(*pag.* 445, & 446,) wherein we
must correct some Particulars ; as,
That the Murderer *was not seiz’d*
by

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by the Country People, but by
Lord *Cawfield's* Brother (Father of
the Lady *Carpenter*) who thereby
instantly came to the Title and
Estate. Moreover, such was the
base Ingratitude of this villainous
Assassin, That but a short Time
before his Perpetration of these
Murders, the Lord *Cawfield* was
bound with him for the Payment of
a Sum of Money. Thus the Family,
besides the Loss of so many Lives,
lost their Money likewise, by pay-
ing the Debt after his Execution.

A most surprizing Instance of the
Divine Providence seems to have
interpos'd for the Prevention of this
horrid Design. The Butler, an old
and trusty Servant in the Family,
remark'd that the Assassin, his Ac-
complices,

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complices, and the Noble Family, made up the odd Number of *Thirteen*; and as they sat at Table, this faithful Man observ'd with inward Dread and Concern, that the Murderers had often chang'd both their Seats and their Countenances, except the Bravo himself, who kept his Place on the Left-hand of Lord *Cawfield*, as he was wont to do, being an intimate Acquaintance. The Butler took an Opportunity, whilst they were at Dinner, to acquaint his Lady with the Causes of his Uneasiness; telling her, that he dreaded some direful Event; She rebuked his Fears, told him, *he was superstitious*; ask'd him, *If the Company were merry, and had every thing they wanted?* He answer'd, *He had done his Duty*;

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Duty ; they all seem'd very merry, and wanted Nothing he knew of, but Grace ; but since her Ladyship was of Opinion, that his Fears were groundless, he was resolv'd, thro' a natural Impulse he felt, to take Care of his own Person. Upon which, He instantly went out of the House, and made the best of his Way to Dublin ; and happy was it for him that he did so ; for his Lord, his Lady, the Children, and all the Servants were destroy'd.

Is it not surprizing, that the *Great Historian*,* as he is call'd by his Party, should take so *little* Notice, as he has done, of the *Irish-Massacre*, and not make the least
Mention

* The Earl of Clarendon.

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Mention of the Destruction of the
greatest Part of so worthy a Pro-
testant Family, Ennobled by the
Immortal Queen ELIZABETH.
This Omission of Lord *Clarendon*,
could not proceed from Ignorance,
but his Apprehensions that the Re-
cital of this Fact, would greatly tar-
nish the Lustre of his own Party.

LET us now return, with Pleasure, to the truly deserving Deeds of Col. *Carpenter* ; and those Persons who desire to have a particular Detail of his military Atchievements, may find them recorded every where to his Honour, in the Histories of the Wars of *Ireland, Flanders, and Spain* ; for in what Country has he not fought ? In what Field has he not bled ? in all these Com-

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mands behaving with unblemish'd
Bravery, and the most extensive
Humanity to those he commanded.

AT the unfortunate Battle of
Almanza, 1703, by his prudent
Conduct, in bringing up the Rear
in the last Squadron of the Retreat,
He preserv'd the Baggage of the
whole Army.

IN the Action at *Almenara*,
He was wounded, and had the
Honour of receiving the Compli-
ments of his Majesty *Charles II.*
King of *Spain*, for his judicious
Conduct in that Engagement.

IN defending the Breach at *Brig-
huga*, against the whole *French*
and *Spanish* Army, he was most
despe-

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desperately wounded ; and here the *English* Officers, after the bravest Resistance, were All taken Prisoners. The Wound which Colonel *Carpenter* receiv'd, was by a Musket-Ball, which broke his Jaw-Bone, beat out all his Teeth on one Side, and lodg'd in the Root of his Tongue ; (therein it remain'd above a Year before it could be extracted) during which Time he underwent the most exquisite Pain, and his Life was despair'd of, wholly subsisting by Liquids, being not capable of swallowing any other kind of Food.

IN the Year 1705, He was constituted a Brigadier-General.

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IN 1708, Major-General : And,

IN 1710, Lieutenant-General.

IN 1714, He was elected Member of Parliament for *Whitchurch* in *Hampshire*, the Year in which his Royal Mistress Queen *ANNE* died.

UPON the Accession of King *George* I. to the Throne, He was appointed Envoy Extraordinary, and Plenipotentiary to the Emperor, (having acquir'd the personal Esteem and Regard of this Prince in the highest Degree, by serving under him in *Spain*;) but as he had prepar'd all Things in Readiness, and was just setting out for his Embassy, the unwarrantable Rebellion at
Preston

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Preston in *Lancashire*, then putting the whole Kingdom under the greatest Consternation, He was sent thither ; where, upon his Arrival, with more Troops, having been before *Invested* by General *Wills*, they immediately surrendered. And it may be said, that to Their Bravery and Conduct, the Foundation of the present Glorious Settlement was much more strongly cemented than before.

WE are in this Place oblig'd, from that Justice requir'd in the Recital of Historical Facts, to declare that the Conduct of General *Carpenter*, appears to have been strictly Honourable, as recorded in the Tryal of the Earl of *Wintoun*. We shall give it in his own Words,

viz.

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viz. Says Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, (pag. 36.)
Mr. *Carpenter*, Please to give my
Lords an Account when you come
to *Preston*, and what happen'd
there?

Gen. *Carp.* I came to *Preston*
on *Sunday* the 13th of *November*
last: The Troops under Mr. *Wills*
had been there the Afternoon be-
fore. I got there about Ten o'Clock
on *Sunday* Morning with three Re-
giments of Dragoons, and there had
been no Intercourse nor Message
pass'd before I came.

Att. Gen. Please to inform my
Lords what pass'd there, after you
came to *Preston*.

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Gen. *Carp.* After I came, the Rebels sent out to know what Terms they might expect, and were answer'd None, but at Discretion. They soon after sent out, one Captain *Dalzell*, to desire a Cessation 'till next Morning; upon which I sent in, Colonel *Churchill*, to tell them I agreed to a Cessation, provided they sent out an *English* Lord and a *Scotch* Lord as Hostages: I nam'd my Lord *Derwentwater*, and my Lord *Kenmure*; Captain *Dalzell* said he thought my Lord *Kenmure* would not come out. I nam'd then Brigadier *Mackintosh*; he also thought he would not come out. I was unwilling to make great Difficulties, it growing towards Night; and said, either of the
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Mackintosh's, and an *English* Lord:
And he brought out my Lord
Derwentwater and Colonel *Mac-*
kintosh, as Hostages that they
should make no Attempt to Escape,
nor any Works for Defence in the
Town.

Att. Gen. Pray, Sir, Acquaint
my Lords who you sent in with
Colonel *Churchill*.

Gen. Carp. Colonel *Cotten*.

Att. Gen. When did they agree
to the Surrender of the Place ?

Gen. Carp. Not 'till the next
Morning. The Hostages were,
That None should Attempt to
Escape, nor any Defences should
be

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be made in the Town till the next Morning, at which Time they would determine whether they would Surrender, or not.

Att. Gen. I desire you to acquaint my Lords, whether these were all the Terms offer'd; or whether there was any Hopes of Mercy given them.

Gen. Carp. I gave them none at all Myself, and it is very unlikely any Body else should: I Commanded in Chief his Majesty's Forces there: No Body ought to have done it; and if any Officer whatsoever took upon him so to do without my Order or Leave, it was very unanswerable by the Rules and Discipline of War, and what

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he cannot Answer : I hope No Body did : I am sure, I gave no such Directions : Colonel *Churchill* can acquaint Your Lordships, whether I directed him to mention any other Conditions to them, than at Discretion.

Sir *J. Jekyll*. Did you hear any other Officer give them any Hope or Expectation of Mercy ?

Gen. *Carp*. No ; I did not.

Sir *J. Jekyll*. If my Lord *Wintoun* hath any Questions to ask this Honourable Person, he may do it.

L. H. Steward. My Lord *Wintoun*, now is your Time, if you'll ask any Question of General *Carpenter*.

L. Wintoun.

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L. Wintoun. Whether I was concern'd in making any Capitulation, or knew any Thing about it ?

[This was the Question, which being put by the Lord High Steward to General Carpenter, he thus answered.]

Gen. Carp. Not that I know of : It is impossible for me to know, except by Hear-say : He was not the Person treated with ; I treated with my Lord *Derwentwater*, and one of the *Mackintosh's* : So that I know nothing of his being concern'd in any Manner of Treaty.

*[In the farther Process of this Tryal, * another Question was put by Lord Wintoun, viz.]*

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L. Wintoun. I desire General *Carpenter* may be ask'd, whether he knows any thing, or has heard, that I was against Coming into *England*, or Fighting the King's Forces ?

Gen. Carp. My Lords, I heard, that at *Fedburg*, they held a Council of War, the Chief Officers, &c. This is only Hear-say, I speak not of my own Knowledge.

Sir J. Jekyll. For the sake of Evidence, it is incumbent on us to desire, that my Lord confines himself to ask the General what he *knows*, and not what he *heard* said.

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[*In Relation to General Carpenter's Evidence, Colonel Churchill was sworn, and ask'd, viz.*]

Mr. Cowper. The Question propos'd is, Whether you was sent into *Preston*, and by whom ?

Col. *Churchill*. I came up to *Preston* on Sunday Morning, under General *Carpenter's* Command, about Ten o'Clock ; about One they sent out to Capitulate ; about Five I was sent in by General *Carpenter* ; their Request being, That they might have Time 'till next Day to consider whether they should surrender, or not. My Directions were they should have That, upon Condition they sent out

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out Hostages that none should attempt to Escape, and that no Defence should be made in the Town. The People nam'd to me by General *Carpenter*, were my Lord *Derwentwater*, or, my Lord *Widdrington*; and my Lord *Kenmure*, or, *Mackintosh* was mentioned for the *Scotch*. I directed them to send the Hostages to me. They could not find my Lord *Derwentwater*, nor *Widdrington*, and *Mackintosh* was gone to Bed. A little before Eight, I went with them, and told them the Terms I was to deliver to Them, that they were to throw up no Works to fortify themselves, and should answer for the People, that none of them should Escape. My Lord *Derwentwater* and *Mackintosh* went out with me: I carried
them

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them to the two Generals there, and at Seven o'Clock next Morning, they surrendered themselves.

Mr. Cowper. Please to give me Leave to ask you, whether you had any Commission from the General that sent you into the Town ; or whether you of yourself, without such Commission, gave them any Hopes of Mercy ?

Col. Churchill. I had not any Power to do it ; and was so far from doing it, that I don't remember a single Syllable was mention'd either on Our Side, or Theirs, about it.

Mr. Cowper. Did you, at any other Time, hear any other Officers give them such Assurance ?

Col.

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Col. *Churchill*. I never heard a single Word like it.

Here ends the Evidence given.

WHAT we have above-cited, demonstrates, That General *Car-penter* did not make any Manner of Treaty with the Rebels, and all the Clamour, which was made by a discontented Party at that Time, in Favour of those unhappy People, who, they would have it, were taken off in Cold Blood, was an Assertion wholly groundless. Surrendering at Discretion, between Enemy and Enemy, (said the General to a Friend in the *Court of Requests*, who ask'd him the Question,) always implies Mercy, and is never refused ; but, added he, The Law of Arms is the very Reverse,

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verse, in Cases of intestine Commotions ; thus illustrating the Case : If a Robber attempted my Life, and missing his Aim, threw himself at my Feet, I would shew him Mercy : But, If my Servant attempted my Life, and missed his Aim, were he ever so submissive, I would shoot him thro' the Head.

AT the Beginning of the Year 1716, General *Carpenter* sent, by Colonel *Churchill*, a Challenge to General *Wills*. The Motives, reported, for this Resentment, were some Words, which had passed between them when in *Spain*.^{*} This Duel was honourably compromiz'd by the generous Interventions of the
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^{*} See the Political State of *Great Britain*, for the Year 1715-16. Vol. II. pag. 168.

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Dukes of *Marlborough* and *Montagu*, to the entire Satisfaction of
all who were well affected to the
most Illustrious House of *Hanover*,
and the present happy Establishment under them, who could not
but be pleased at the Reconciliation
of Two Gentlemen, who on all
Occasions had jointly distinguished
Themselves for their Bravery and
Conduct, and between whom there
was never after the least Misunder-
standing.

ABOUT a Year after the Accommodation of this Affair, General *Carpenter* was constituted Governor of *Minorca*, and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Forces in *Scotland*. And,

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IN 1719, He was created Baron CARPENTER of *Killaghy* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

IN the Year 1722, Lord *Carpenter* was chosen Member of Parliament for the City of *Westminster*; and in the Service of his Country, was as diligent as he had before been in the Field, exerting himself upon all Occasions from Principles founded on Honour, Justice, and Integrity, never giving a Vote till upon the maturest Deliberation he was fully convinc'd of its Equity.

AFTER seven Years constant Attendance in Parliament, Age came upon him, and he declin'd apace; besides, after his Ennoblement, He had the Misfortune of a Fall, by

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which his Teeth were loosen'd on that Side, which had not been wounded, he was capable of receiving but little Nourishment, which, by a gradual Decay, ended his Life on the 10th Day of *February*, 1732.

HIS Body was interr'd (pursuant to his own Direction in his Will) at *Owselbury* in *Hampshire*, near his Lady, where a neat Monument of White and Blue-vein'd Marble is erected to his Memory, containing the following Inscription, viz.

Here



Here lies the Right Honourable

George Lord Carpenter,

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vices always preceding his Advancement. He serv'd thro' the whole Course of the last Wars of *England* with *France*, in *Ireland*, *Flanders*, and *Spain*, with Honour and Reputation ; was never Absent from his Post, when there was any Action, or that Action was expected ; and was as remarkable for his great Humanity, as for his Courage and Presence of Mind in Time of Service, and most imminent Danger.

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Obiit 10 *die* Februarii 1731;

Ætat. 74.



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TO conclude: If (as a judicious Officer has observ'd on a like Occasion*) there were any who had Ignorance or Malice enough to be Lord Carpenter's Enemies, their little Hates must be lost in the Distinction the better World allow'd him. For with one honest Purpose of Life, and constant Adherence to one Interest, and one Cause, he honourably serv'd his Country.

SUCH was our Noble *British* Soldier! Thus he liv'd, and thus he died, CARPENTER the Just, the Generous, and the Brave.

Heu prisca Fides!

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* See STEELE's Christian Hero.



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Lord CARPENTER'S Patent:

UM Viros Artibus & Sapientia Pacis eximios, Nostra Predecessorumque Nostrorum propensa Benignitas Titulis & Honoribus cumulaverit æquum est, ut & Virtus Bellica per quam multis retrò annis stetisse videtur Respublica, suis ornetur Præmiis. Eo præcipuè nomine Fidelem & delectum Georgium Carpenter Armigerum, in exercitibus nostris Locum tenentem Generalem Proceribus

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bus hujus Regni annumerandum
duximus; qui Tyrocinio in Armis
posito per omnes militiæ gradus,
tento minimeque invidioso decursu,
ad hoc munus præeuntibus suffra-
gantibusque meritis evectus est. Post
exactam è Britannia Tyrannidem,
Reipublicæ partes alacriter secutus
primùm, in hac ipsa Hibernia vin-
dicanda, deinde in inferiore Ger-
mania, sub invictissimo Principe
Gulielmo Miles gnavus industriusq;
meruit. Demum post breves infi-
dæ Pacis Treducias recrudescente
acriùs bello, & in omnem ferè Eu-
ropam pervagante Hispaniam rerum
gerendarum provinciam sortitus est;
Præerat Copiis Britannicis Comes
Stanhopius qui hunc consiliorum
suorum participem maximè adscivit
eundem ubi ad manus ventum est
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adjutorem strenuum feliciter expertus est. Evocatus in Angliam, eodem in Hibernis legato perlibenter usus est, nequid ejus culpa detrimenti caperet Res Fœderatorum, planè secutus; erat enim ut in acie summoq; discrimine constantis sibi animi, præsentisq; consilii, sic in ob-eundis muneris sui negotiis providæ circumspectæq; diligentia eâ vero integritate, prudentia, & æquabilitate morum, ut & suos facile sibi devinceret, e sociorum duces ipsumque adeò Principem mire conciliaret. Fidem ejus atque Industriam singularem experimento Reipublicæ longè saluberrimo perspeximus. Cum enim seditio alibi opportunè repressa, Northumbriam Scotiæ conterminam insedisset, & in apertam Rabiem erupisset Vir Egregius ad


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extinguendum hoc Incendium Jussu nostro advolavit, & quanquam impari militum numero, perduellos Novo Castro Arce Belli destinata depulit ab Eboracensi Provincia in Avia atq; montana submovit, & Prestonæ interclusos à nostris incredibili celeritate assecutus in Arcem magis coegit, & ad deditionem compulit. Quo facto pacatâ Angliâ, ad profligandum Scotici tumultûs impetum multum momenti attulit.

HIS de Causis Virum de nobis, de Britannia, Hiberniaq; bene merentem, & Patritiæ istius regni Familiæ nuptiarum affinitate conjunctum, ut proprium gentilitiumque honorem in posteros derivare possit : procerum Ordini adsortibimus. Sciatis ergo, &c.



Attempted in ENGLISH.

EING, like our Predecessors, readily inclin'd to confer Honours and Dignities upon such Persons as have distinguish'd themselves either by Arts or Arms; (more especially those, who have cultivated the Arts of Peace;) We think it therefore highly Reasonable and Just, that Military Actions, (which seem for many Ages past to have been the principal Support of Government) should be dignified by due Rewards. For this Reason especially, we have thought fit to rank our
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Faithful and Beloved *George Carpenter*, Esq; now Lieutenant-General of our Armies, among the Peers of this Kingdom; who having dedicated his earliest Years to Arms, and gradually passing thro' all the military Posts, was at last raised to the Honour he now possesses, the Suffrage of his Merit paving the Way thereto. When *Britain* was delivered from Arbitrary Power, he cheerfully embrac'd the Interest of the Revolution, and serv'd under King *William*, of Glorious Memory, first in the Reduction of *Ireland*, and afterwards in *Lower Germany*, as an Active and Careful Officer. After the short Interval of a Dishonourable Peace, the War breaking out again with greater Violence, and spreading itself almost

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most throughout *Europe*, *Spain* happened to be the immediate Scene of his Services. Earl *Stanhope*, Chief Commander of the *British* Forces in that Kingdom, freely imparted to him his Designs, in the Execution of which was manifested both his Courage and Conduct.

WHEN Earl *Stanhope* was requir'd in *England*, he committed the Care of the Army to General *Carpenter*, as being fully assur'd, that the Publick Cause would suffer no Disadvantage by his Management; for his Diligence and Circumspection in performing the Duties of his Employment, were not less remarkable than his Constancy and Presence of Mind in the Time of Action, and most imminent
Danger.

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Danger. By his Integrity, Prudence, and Evenness of Temper, he not only gain'd the Affections of his Countrymen, but the Esteem and Regard of the Generals of the Allies, and even of his Imperial Majesty. We have had a Proof of his Loyalty and Abilities in an Instance very beneficial to the Publick ; for when Sedition (which was seasonably suppressed in other Places) had taken Root in the County of *Northumberland*, and there broke out into an open Rebellion, he, by our Command, hastened thither to extinguish this Flame of Civil War, and, (tho' with unequal Numbers) drove the Rebels from *Newcastle*, intended by them for their Place of Arms ; hinder'd their Marching into *Yorkshire* ;

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shire, and at last having over-taken them at *Preston*, where they were before invested by our Troops, block'd them up more closely, and oblig'd them to Surrender. By which Success, Peace was restored to *England*, which greatly conduc'd to the subduing of the Rebels in *Scotland*. For these Reasons, that a Person so well deserving of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, allied by Marriage to a Noble Family of that Kingdom, may, from himself, transmit an Honour to his Posterity ; We create him a Peer, as being every way Worthy of that Honour.



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A GENEALOGICAL
ACCOUNT
OF THE
Family of CARPENTER,

William Carpenter, of the }
Holm, or Homme, Obiit } 1520
His Son *James Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1537
His Son *John Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1540
His Son *William Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1550
His Son *James Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1593
His Son *James Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1599
His Son *Thomas Carpenter,* }
Obiit ——— } 1653

He had several Children.

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GENEALOGY.

Warncomb Carpenter, his Fifth Son, was Father to the late Right Honourable *George Lord Carpenter*.

Richard, his Eldest Son succeeded him in the Manor of the *Holm*, or *Homme*, whose Grandson *Thomas Carpenter*, being the last of the Eldest Branch, and having no Issue, left the Manor of the *Homme* to his Second Cousin, the present Right Honourable *George Lord Carpenter*, there being but one Gentleman before him, his first Cousin, *Thomas Carpenter*, of *Tillington*.

GENEALOGY.

Warwick Carpenter, his fifth son, was Father to the late Right Honorable George Lord Carpenter.

Richard, his eldest son, succeeded him in the Baronet of the Holm, of Holm, whose Grandson Thomas Carpenter, being the last of the eldest Branch, and having no issue, left the Baronet of the Holm to his second son, the present Right Honorable George Lord Carpenter, there being but one Grandson, and him his first Cousin, Thomas Carpenter, of Tillingham.



A TRUE
C O P Y
Of the LAST
WILL and TESTAMENT
Of the Right Honourable
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Of the Right Honourable

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Lord CARPENTER.

In the Name of God,
Amen.

The last Day of *December*, 1731.
I GEORGE Lord CARPENTER, being in good Health, with perfect Memory, do Make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, in Manner and Form following.

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Imprimis, I give to Captain *Robert Carpenter*, who is at present a reduced Captain of Dragoons on Half Pay, Five Hundred Pounds, to be paid to him, or, in Case of his Death, to his Executor, within Six Months after my Decease, and Five Hundred Pounds more One Year after my Decease.

Item, I give to Mr. *George Freeman*, who is at present a Land-waiter, in the Port of *London*, Five Hundred Pounds to be paid to him, or, in Case of his Death, to his Executor, within Six Months after my Decease, and Five Hundred Pounds more, One Year after my Decease.

Item, I give to my Brother and Sister *Garnier*, to each a Ring, and
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Ten Pounds, to buy them Mourning.

Item, I give to, my very good Friend, Lieut. Gen. *George Wade*, a Ring. And Rings to all my Brother *Garnier's* Daughters and their Husbands; to my Nephew *Thomas Garnier*, my Neices *Mary Drybutter*, *Sarah Beardsfley*, and *Elizabeth Saunderson*, and to Mr. *Henry Procter*.

Item, I give to my Neice *Mary Drybutter*, Fifty Pounds, to be paid her Six Months after my Decease. I also discharge her from any Thing she may owe me.

Item, I give to every Servant, that shall be living with me at my Decease, Five Pounds; to be paid
them

them in Six Months after my Decease.

I desire to be buried, near my beloved Wife, in the Chancel of *Ouslebury* Church *, and will have my Funeral to be in the most private Manner ; with no more Ceremony, or Expence, than shall be absolutely necessary : not exceeding Twenty Pounds, besides the Charge of the Herse.

Item, I give to the poorer Sort of *Ouslebury* Parish, who do not receive Alms, Twenty Pounds.

Item, I give all the Rest, Residue, and Remainder of my Real
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* *Ouslebury*, or, *Owselbury*, is a small Village, near *Winchester*, in *Hampshire*, where his Lordship lived greatly beloved near thirty Years.

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and Personal Estates, after my Debts and Legacies are paid, to my Son *George*.

And *Lastly*, I do hereby make, constitute, and appoint my Son *George*, to be sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament; revoking all other Wills by me made; and I have to this my Last Will and Testament set my Hand, and Seal, at *London*, the Day and Year first above written.

Carpenter.

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Signed; Sealed, and Delivered,
by the said *George Lord Carpenter*, for, and as, his LAST
WILL and TESTAMENT, in
the Presence of Us, who have
set our Hands as Witnesses, in
his Presence,

Henry Procter.

Maurice Shipton.

Hungerford Barton.



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